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COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

Improvements in or relating to Lip and Mouth Projecting Devices for Drinking Vessels.

I, MELANIE WOLF, a Citizen of the United States of America, of 104, Second Avenue, New York City, State of New York, United States of America, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

10 The present invention relates to a lip and mouth protecting device for drinking vessels, such device being of the kind comprising a U-shaped shield adapted to be placed over the edge of the vessel,

15 According to the present invention the outer limb of the shield is provided with a severable extension with a weakened connection to such limb, and said extension when severed will indicate that the device has previously been in use.

20 Alternatively, according to the invention the shield is provided with means extending from the inner limb of the shield for supporting a straw or the like in a position of use.

25 In a further form of the invention the outer limb of the shield is provided with means extending therefrom for storing straws.

30 Any suitable moist-proof material, either pliable or rigid, may be used for my device, such as paper, cardboard, celluloid, hard rubber, wood, glass, porcelain or the like. Paper is most suitable since it is not only cheap but can easily and conveniently be folded or bent around the edge of the vessel and made to adhere to the surface of the vessel. In some cases clasps or other fastening means may be used to secure the protecting device in position.

35 In the accompanying drawings the Figs. illustrate three forms of construction of my device:—

40 In the construction of Fig. 1 a protecting shield is shown which has a horizontally bent extension 4 at the lower end of its inner limb. This extension is provided with perforations 6 and a slot 5 for the support of drinking straws, a spoon or other implements. This protecting device may be used when drinks are served with

straws or spoons. The straws or spoons could be held in place in the vessel by engaging them in these slots and perforations.

55 In the construction of Fig. 2 the lower edge of the outer limb of the shield is rolled up as at 7 to enclose a drinking tube S. A sticky label 8 may be used to prevent it from being unrolled. The protecting shield may also have perforations or slots 9 for carrying a straw S or other article.

60 In the construction shown in Fig. 3 the outer limb of the shield is provided with a severable extension 14 perforated at its junction with the main body of the shield. This extension may serve as a check to be torn off by the user so as to mutilate the shield and prevent its being supplied again for use. A second severable extension 15 may serve as a pay check.

65 Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is:—

70 1. A lip and mouth protecting device of the kind specified and comprising a severable extension of the outer limb of the shield with a weakened connection to such limb for the purpose specified.

75 2. A lip and mouth protecting device of the kind specified and comprising means extending from the inner limb of the shield for supporting a straw or the like in a position of use.

80 3. A lip and mouth protecting device of the kind specified and comprising means extending from the outer limb of the shield for storing straws or the like.

85 4. A lip or mouth protecting device according to Claim 3, in which the extension constituting the storing means is rolled up to form a pocket.

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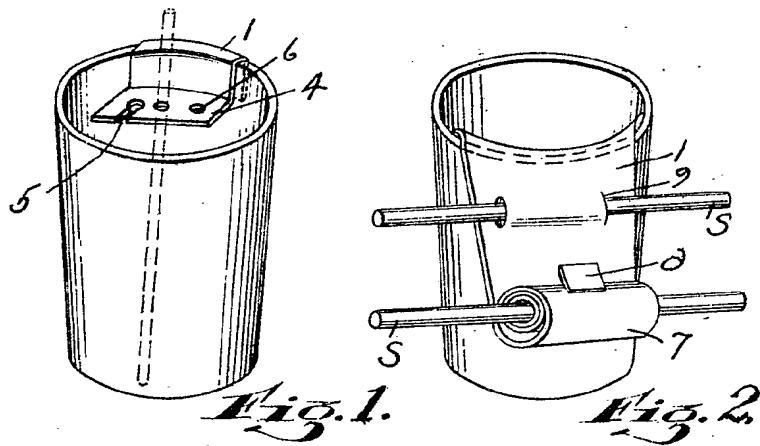


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.

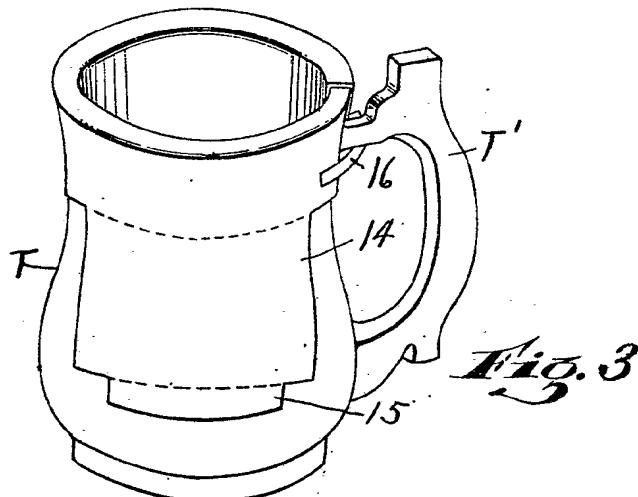


Fig. 3